

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : Confirmation Number: 4251

Jay Rossiter et al. : Group Art Unit: 2162

Serial No.: 09/945,135 : Examiner: Shahid Al Alam

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For: TECHNIQUES FOR MANAGING CONFIGURATION FOR A SYSTEM OF DEVICES ARRANGED IN A NETWORK

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Mail Stop Issue Fee Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Allowability mailed December 2, 2004. The Examiner is thanked for the Notice of Allowance. Upon reviewing the Notice of Allowance, the Applicants discovered that the Notice of Allowance indicates that Claims 1-12 are allowed, even though only Claims 1-7 are pending in the current application. It is noted that Claim 7 (a) is a multiple dependent claim that depends from Claims 1-6, and (b) is recited in computer-readable medium format.

Respectfully submitted,
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